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‘OUR TIME’

Chicago Tribune

Barack Obama won the presidency Tuesday, the first African-American to claim the highest office in the land, an improbable candidate fulfilling a once-impossible dream.

A nation that in living memory struggled violently over racial equality will have as its next president a 47-year-old, one-term U.S. senator born of a Kenyan father and Kansan mother. He is the first president elected from Chicago and the first to rise from a career in Illinois politics since Abraham Lincoln emerged from frontier obscurity to lead the nation through the Civil War and the abolition of slavery.

Obama’s resounding victory over Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.) repudiates an unpopular incumbent and an ongoing war, shifts national leadership to a new generation and provides dramatic proof to the world of the American ideal of opportunity for all.

The Illinois senator won a larger share of the popular vote than any Democrat since Lyndon Johnson in 1964. He redrew the electoral map, sweeping nearly all the traditional battleground states—including Ohio and Florida—and winning some longtime Republican strongholds, such as Virginia.

“If there is anyone out there who still doubts that America is a place where all things are possible; who still wonders if the dream of our founders is alive in our time; who still questions the power of our democracy, tonight is your answer,” Obama declared at a victory rally at Grant Park. Obama supporters, many of them holding flags, watched returns roll in on giant TV screens and roared every time another state was called for their candidate. When networks called the election at 10 p.m., tears streamed down the faces of supporters and aides, and a stream of Obama volunteers and friends began spilling out of their holding tent into their spots on the grass near the stage.

Celebrations erupted from the South Side to East Africa. In Obama’s home neighborhood of Kenwood, sounds of music, screaming and crying floated in the air. Cheering crowds gathered at the gates of the White House in Washington, at Martin Luther King Jr.’s home church in Atlanta, in Harlem and in Times Square in New York. In Kogelo, Kenya, the village where Obama’s step-grandmother and extended family live, hundreds of people stayed up all night awaiting word, erupting into cheers and chants shortly after 7 a.m. local time when Obama won the required electoral votes.



Democratic President-elect Barack Obama and his wife, Michelle, embrace on stage during his election-night victory rally at Grant Park. PHIL VELASQUEZ/TRIBUNE

President Bush congratulated his successor-elect shortly after the election was called. Soon after, McCain took the stage to concede.

Voters turned out in extraordinary numbers, sensing a historic moment and stung by economic crisis.

National exit polls for The Associated Press and TV networks showed Obama winning handily among women, minorities and new voters. And for all the discussion of race as a factor in the election, those polls showed Obama winning just under half of the white vote—better than any Democratic presidential candidate since Jimmy Carter in 1976.

Closing his victory speech, the next president returned to the shared experience of a people who toiled so long to see the dream come true.

“This is our moment,” he said. “This is our time—to put our people back to work and open doors of opportunity for our kids; to restore prosperity and promote the cause of peace; to reclaim the American Dream and reaffirm that fundamental truth—that out of many, we are one; that while we breathe, we hope, and where we are met with cynicism, and doubt, and those who tell us that we can’t, we will respond with that timeless creed that sums up the spirit of a people: Yes We Can.”

HOW AMERICA VOTED

ILLINOIS

75%-80%

Expected voter turnout across Illinois, according to Dan White, executive director of the state board of elections.

5.7 million

Estimated number of people who cast ballots in Illinois, eclipsing the previous record of 5.35 million set four years ago, White said.

YOUNG VOTERS

2/3

Proportion of voters younger than 30 who supported Obama.

2 to 1

Margin by which young voters supported Obama, with his greatest support coming from black and Hispanic young people, according to early exit polls.

AND FINALLY...

60%

Percentage of voters who picked the economy as the most important issue facing the nation, overwhelming other problems named, exit polls found.

9 in 10

Number of voters who voted for Obama Tuesday and voted in the primaries for Hillary Clinton. TRIBUNE, AP



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TUESDAY'S WINNER
"You think they had
8-minute abs back then?"
—Lawrence Tolefree



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random dilemma

We asked. You responded. Here are the results from Tuesday's Random Dilemma, in which we asked if you would rather own a helicopter or own the Batmobile.

27% Own a helicopter
73% Own the Batmobile

Here's another: Which would you rather do? Text "random" and the number of your response to 47383. You'll get the poll results instantly.

Be a U.S. senator for 24 years (1)
OR Be the U.S. vice president for four years (2)



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A DREAM FULFILLED

FOR MANY, ELECTION OVERCOMES HISTORY OF RACISM

Chicago Tribune

Rosa Parks sat down. Martin Luther King Jr. marched. Barack Obama ran.

And on Tuesday night, Obama's marathon reached an unprecedented place in American history.

Poll returns built to an insurmountable lead for the African-American candidate, one whose face and words have come to define not just an election but a time in history.

A nation dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal elevated that principle to its highest office.

"This is a central moment in American history," said Michael Dawson, one of the nation's leading authors and scholars on race and politics.

"Obama is an important signal to the world about the ability to overcome such a wretched history of conflict and hatred," he said, "and to build a more democratic society through the sweat and tears of its people."

On its face, the achievement is plain. An African-American will soon be sworn in as president of a country built partly with the forced labor of black slaves.

The moment takes on an even richer meaning when considered in the context of modern race and politics—especially if that is defined in terms of the Illinois senator's own life span.

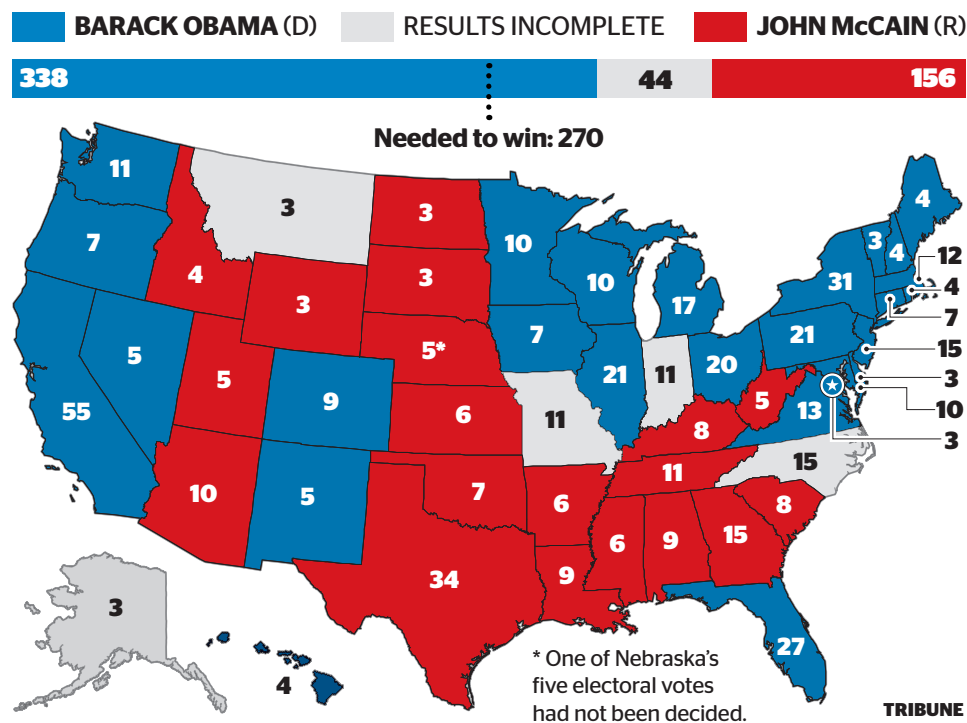
His parents' generation saw institutionalized racism begin to crumble, as Jim Crow laws were felled one by one. In 1954 the Supreme Court decided that segregated schools violated the 14th Amendment to the Constitution, guaranteeing all citizens equal protection of the law.

Shortly after that, the court decided that segregation on public buses was illegal, a development stirred by Rosa Parks' refusal to give up her seat in the whites-only section and King's ensuing bus boycott.

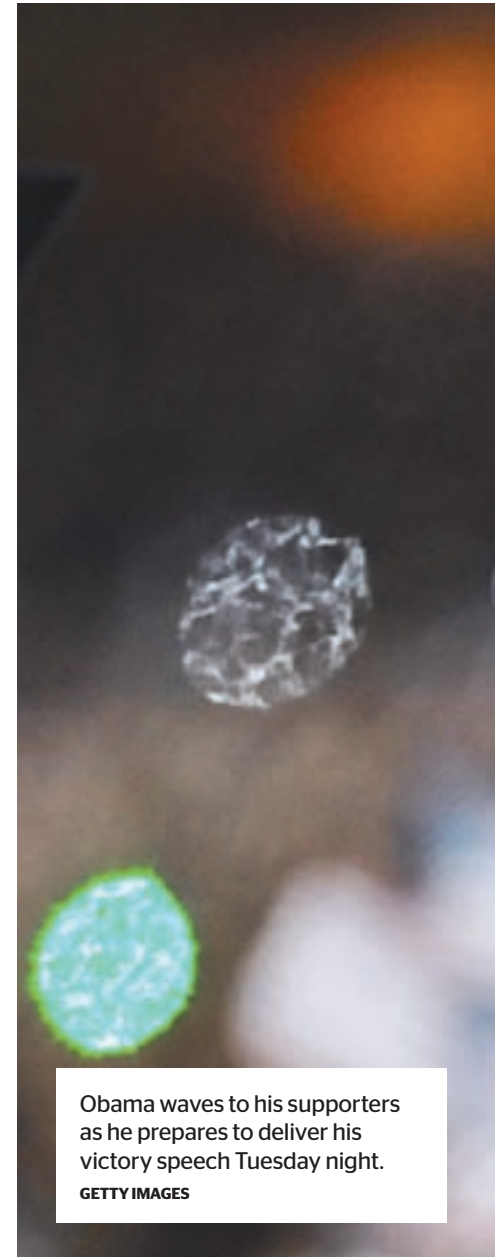
Still, when Obama was a child in Hawaii, the marriage of his parents—a white woman

The electoral map

Unofficial results as of midnight Central Standard Time



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Obama waves to his supporters as he prepares to deliver his victory speech Tuesday night.

GETTY IMAGES

that we're embracing diversity, that we're embracing the world. It sends a message to youth of color that there really is no barrier to what they can achieve.

"Obama is taking us to another chapter in that story." Historians aren't the only ones mindful of that. At a rally Tuesday in Philadelphia, Jay-Z uttered a line that has been picking up currency among black voters and politicians this year.

"Rosa Parks sat so Martin Luther King could walk," Jay-Z told the crowd. "Martin Luther King walked so Obama could run."

An anonymous black man on the "L" in Chicago put his own spin on it when he announced to a car full of strangers: "Rosa Parks sat down. Martin Luther King marched. Barack Obama ran. And my grandchildren will fly."

and a black man—was illegal in 16 other states.

"It underscores the real historic break here," says Martha Biondi, professor of African-American studies and history at Northwestern University. "When he was born, people who looked like him couldn't even go into the voting booth. Now he is about to go into the White House."

Today it's tempting to see Obama's historic run for the presidency as a closing chapter of the country's tormented racial story. History warns against it.

"While it's a huge symbolic transforma-

tion of American politics, it doesn't mean that racial conflict and disadvantage is going to disappear," Dawson said. "I think it means it's declining. But it's easy to misunderstand the resiliency of racial disadvantage and racial conflict."

Look no further than the U.S. Senate. When Obama leaves it, it could once again become an all-white club.

Biondi hesitates to declare the nation postracial, but she does point to the symbolic power of Obama's singularity.

"Having a black man in the White House sends a message that the U.S. is waking up,



Chicago to become seat of power

The new Obama administration comes into office committed to far-reaching changes: a swift withdrawal of troops from Iraq, a national health-care plan, a shift in the tax burden away from the middle-class toward the wealthy, and an ambitious alternative-energy program.

The vote Tuesday clearly reflected a deep-seated public desire for Barack Obama's one-word mantra: change. In large numbers and for a long time, the public has told pollsters that the country is headed in the wrong direction. The discontent only increased in the final month of the election, amid a crisis in the global financial system that sealed Obama's victory.

Obama plans to spend the next few days meeting with advisers and move rapidly to announce a transition leadership team and a White House chief of staff, said a source in the campaign. Chicago's Rep. Rahm Emanuel and former Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle are leading candidates for chief of staff.

Among the top items on the agenda will be determining what role Obama should play in forging an economic stimulus package with the lame-duck Congress. During the transition, Chicago will be the seat of power for the incoming government, and security around Obama's Kenwood neighborhood will be stepped up. **TRIBUNE**

MCCAIN

Gracious in defeat

Republican calls Obama's victory a 'great thing'

Associated Press

PHOENIX Republican John McCain conceded the presidential race to Barack Obama, saying the Democrat has achieved a "great thing" for himself and the country with his historic victory.

Flanked by wife Cindy and running-mate Sarah Palin, McCain spoke to supporters outside the Arizona Biltmore Hotel shortly after 10 p.m. Tuesday, saying the "American people have spoken and they have spoken clearly."

He conceded the contest as polls closed on the West Coast, adding a string of states to Obama's electoral vote tally and sealing the Illinois senator's victory.

McCain stressed the historic nature of the election, noting that an invitation to Booker T. Washington to dine at the White House by Theodore Roosevelt had been viewed as an insult in some quarters.

"Senator Obama has achieved a great thing for himself and for his country," McCain said.

Still, some of his supporters stood with arms crossed, anger etched on their faces. Others expressed disappointment, even fear. Still others wiped away tears and grumbled when McCain congratulated his opponent for making history.

Jeri Mott, 58, of Tucson listened to McCain's concession speech with her arms

tightly crossed.

"I'm thinking that I'm real worried about what's going to happen tomorrow, especially about my troops," said Mott, whose son recently enlisted in the Army. "He'd better be paying close attention to what he's doing with our troops," she said of Obama.

As for the historic nature of the night, Mott didn't much care.

"I have no problem with an African-American at the helm. It's his vision of what he wants to do that I have a big problem with."

Although McCain had criticized Obama during the hard-fought campaign as too inexperienced to be president, the Arizona senator said that "in a contest as long and as difficult as this campaign has been, his success alone commands my respect for his ability and perseverance.

"But that he managed to do so by inspiring the hopes of so many millions of Americans who had once wrongly believed that they had little at stake or little influence in the election of an American president is something I deeply admire and commend him for achieving."

McCain told his supporters that it was natural "to feel some disappointment. Though we fell short, the failure is mine, not yours."



Sen. John McCain addresses his supporters Tuesday during a rally in Phoenix. **AP PHOTO**



President-elect Barack Obama (left) his wife Michelle (right) and two daughters, Malia, (center, right) and Sasha wave to the crowd at Grant Park. AP

Center of the universe

Chicago Tribune

Streaming into an unparalleled moment in history, tens of thousands lit up Grant Park on Tuesday with a display of election night electricity not seen in generations.

Under a crystal-clear sky and a crescent moon, they came from across the country and around the world, stood shoulder to shoulder and cheered joyously for President-elect Barack Obama, each drawn for reasons as diverse as the faces around them.

"It's not about his skin; it's about his heart," said Jane Fulton Alt, a 56-year-old white woman from Evanston. "He gave me back my country."

"My father had to ride on the back of the bus," said Page Cooper, a commodities broker from the West Side. "Now look at where we are."

Paul Reinhardt, a white Detroit resident, sat along the periphery of the pandemonium with his four adopted children, who are all

WHAT A MOMENT

When official word came that Barack Obama would become the next president of the U.S., a deafening cheer erupted from the crowd—a frenetic, grinning, often teary-eyed mix of whites and blacks and Latinos and Asians. In an homage to the Obama campaign's rallying cry of "Yes, we can!" the more than 240,000 revelers thrust their fists in the air and chanted, "Yes, we did! Yes, we did!"

black: "One day, they will look back and say they were here in Grant Park when the first African-American became president of the United States. To me, that means anything is possible."

Outside the park, cars honked their horns, the noise blending with whoops and whistles from the sidewalks. Throughout the evening, Michigan Avenue bustled with crowds like New Year's Eve. Some people were bound for the tickets-only section of Grant Park to see

Obama live. Others headed to another section of the park where they could watch on Jumbotrons, and some chose to simply wander the sidewalk soaking in the scene.

The only quiet moments of the evening came when Obama took the stage about 11 p.m., his voice echoing across the park as the swollen crowd looked on with rapt attention.

Just before Obama walked out, Allan Landau, 53, of River West reflected on the presidential campaign he had helped as a volunteer on the streets of Chicago. Born in Canada, Landau is not yet a U.S. citizen and was unable to vote. But that didn't take away from the emotion of the moment.

"This might be the happiest day of my life," he said. "This might be the most important day in American history."

The signs that something special was happening were everywhere, from the unseasonably warm temperatures to the good-natured

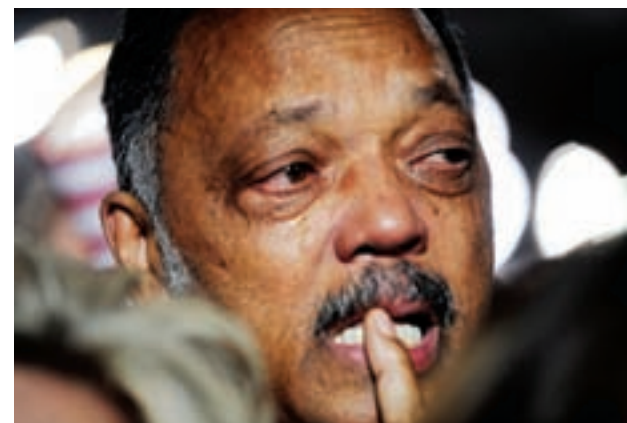
mood of the revelers.

To the north of the park, the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Tower was lit up to read "USA," while just west of there, the Smurfit-Stone Building declared "Vote 2008" on its slanted diamond roof.

"I've never been to anything like this before in my life. And I don't think I ever will again," said Aurora native Julian West, 30. "It's a lot of brotherhood and sisterhood. Solidarity is happening here."

Emblematic of the lengths some took to attend the rally, Jonathan Metzl drove straight to Chicago from the University of Michigan campus after teaching a class Tuesday.

"My father came from Europe, escaped from Nazis. America has always been a refuge; there was a sense we are stronger because of our diversity," Metzl said. "You stand in this crowd today, and you realize that message is still alive."



Rev. Jesse Jackson gets emotional as the election results are announced at the rally in Grant Park. **mcr**



A police officer stands guard before Barack Obama's arrival in Grant Park. **JOSÉ M. OSORIO/TRIBUNE**



People celebrate as election results are announced in favor of Barack Obama in Grant Park. **mcr**



Giacomo Glotzer, 8, his sister Magdalena, 12, and his mother Jola await the arrival of Barack Obama at Shoesmith Elementary School on Tuesday. The Glotzer children attend school with the Obama children. **SCOTT STRAZZANTE/TRIBUNE**

Portraits of the election

Hyde Park

Even before the results of the election were in, a festive mood swept over president-elect Barack Obama's community of Hyde Park/Kenwood.

Balloons blew in the air and lined the windows of barber shops, coffee shops and local restaurants. People wearing "I voted today" stickers and Obama pins piled into the Hyde Park Barber Shop to watch the results and celebrate.

At Park 52 restaurant, a racially mixed crowd cheered and clapped as they learned of Obama's victories in Illinois and in hard-to-clinch states like Ohio.

Paula Dixon, Diana Fugan and Shirley Pleasant said they had traveled from elsewhere on the South Side to experience the moment in Hyde Park.

"Today is a great day to be alive," Fugan said.

Downtown

Rev. Linda Thomas wanted her daughter Dora to remember where she was when the nation elected its first black president, so she packed a suitcase Tuesday and took the girl to a hotel room several blocks north of Grant Park, where they planned to attend the Democratic rally.

For Thomas and other members of Trinity United Church of Christ, Tuesday night was the long-sought end of a painful journey. After portions of fiery sermons by longtime pastor Rev. Jeremiah Wright Jr. surfaced on the Internet and TV, Obama's longtime church became a target for his opponents.

"If [Obama] wins, for me this would be similar to Juneteenth, another kind of Emancipation Proclamation," she said.

Lawndale

The 34th precinct of the 24th Ward is not generally a place of giddy joy. Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. moved to Lawndale four decades ago, hoping to awaken the nation's conscience to the poverty of city neighborhoods, and today the signs of need still are undeniable.

The precinct votes at the Dvorak School, where 95 percent of students are eligible for government-subsidized lunches. The building where King lived is now one of the area's many rubble-filled lots. But on Tuesday residents were beaming at being able to vote for a black man for president.

King Osei'el, an 8-year-old boy, summed up what many felt:

"With what black people went through, in slavery and such, today is black history!" **TRIBUNE**

CELEBRI-SPOTTING

Celebs seen at rally, in coverage

Several celebrities were on hand for the rally, including Oprah Winfrey, Brad Pitt, Black Eyed Peas frontman will.i.am and director Spike Lee.

People talking about the event on Twitter said a media mob descended on Winfrey the moment she was spotted in a press area.

"I feel good. I feel like this is what we wanted and hoped for and worked for," Winfrey told ABC. "This, you know, is a moment not just for Barack and his family but it is a moment for America."

Will.i.am talked to CNN's Anderson Cooper via the network's "hologram" technology.

When will.i.am asked Cooper what his holographic image looked like, Cooper said it was just like seeing someone get beamed in "like on an episode of 'Star Trek.'"

The hologram was a new piece of technology CNN introduced Tuesday where interviewees were projected as three-dimensional figures, giving viewers the illusion that the person was being interviewed in studio. According to USA Today, CNN had 44 cameras and 20 computers in each remote location to capture 360-degree imaging data of the person being interviewed. **REDEYE**



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Change in city's PR department

Chicago Tribune

City Hall has abruptly halted all spending for private public relations consultants, despite Mayor Daley's repeated assertions that the contracts are a wise use of taxpayer money.

"We didn't have that many anyway," Daley told reporters Tuesday. "Any other questions?"

The move follows a Tribune report last month that the city spends millions of dollars on outside public relations help in addition to \$4.7 million a year on salaries for more than 50 public information officials in the administration. After the report was published, Daley tersely defended those expenditures as being "worth it."

But with the mayor proposing almost 1,000 layoffs of city employees to close a \$469 million budget shortfall, some aldermen questioned the costs of the Daley message machine, especially the payments to outside consultants.

"A lot of this can be and should be done in house," said Ald. Robert Fioretti (2nd). "I believe the majority of aldermen believe that too."

Jacquelyn Heard, the mayor's veteran press secretary, said Tuesday that the city would indefinitely stop all spending on 10 recently signed public relations contracts that could pay as much as \$5 million each. Under those new deals, the city has paid more than \$150,000 since August to three firms, with most of that going

to the public relations firm of longtime Daley supporter Marilyn Katz.

Since 2004 the administration has paid more than \$4 million to Katz's company, city records show. Her firm has promoted the mayor's environmental programs as well as an initiative to restore bungalows.

Katz declined to comment Tuesday, saying she was too busy working for Barack Obama's presidential campaign.

In addition, officials say, the new budget would reduce the number of public relations officials at City Hall next year by consolidating departments. Still, salaries for media relations aides would rise. Daley proposes giving a \$5,000 boost to Heard, increasing her an annual salary to more than \$177,000.

Nice day for a nap

Richard Morley of Burr Ridge on Tuesday takes a lunchtime stretch on the grass on an unseasonably warm day at Scoville Park in Oak Park.

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2 killed in motorcycle crashes on LSD

Chicago Tribune

Two people were killed Monday in separate motorcycle crashes about three miles apart on Lake Shore Drive, police said.

In the first accident, which occurred at about 7 p.m., a northbound motorcyclist was trying to change lanes in the 3400 block of North Lake Shore Drive when he rear-ended an SUV, lost control of his bike and slammed into the center median, said Chicago Police Officer Amina Greer.

Jean Dupont, 34, of south suburban Richton Park, was pronounced dead about 40 minutes later at Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center, a spokesman for the Cook County medical examiner's office said.

At about 9:40 p.m., a female passenger on a motorcycle headed south in the 1000 north block of Lake Shore Drive was killed after the vehicle struck the median, sending her into the northbound lanes, where

she was struck by a car, Greer said.

She was identified as Oralia Pena, 33, of the 5700 block of North Albany Avenue, according to the medical examiner. She was taken to Northwestern Memorial Hospital, where she was pronounced dead.

The driver of the motorcycle, a 28-year-old man, was taken to the same hospital, where he was treated for minor injuries and released, police said.

Swayze unhurt in powder scare

Chicago Tribune

The arrival of a parcel of suspect white powder led Berwyn police to quarantine four employees and a Comcast employee who brought the package into the station Tuesday.

But actor Patrick Swayze, who happened to be in the west suburban station house filming a movie, didn't come into contact with the powder, which police later determined was corn starch.

The incident began at 3:35 p.m., when the Comcast worker entered the Berwyn Police Department with a box that was leaking a white powder, Police Chief William Kushner said. He wanted to report it to the police because he was concerned about what it might be.

Police were testing the substance for anthrax after initial tests proved it wasn't cocaine, the chief said. But two sergeants, a detective and a radio operator who were exposed to the powder—along with the Comcast employee—have been isolated outside the station until they determine what the substance is.

Chicago man found shot dead

Calumet City police Tuesday discovered the body of a Chicago man who had been shot to death, according to the Cook County medical examiner's office. Tyrond Gordon, 29, of the 7700 block of South Lowe Avenue in Chicago, was pronounced dead at the medical examiner's office at 3:25 a.m.

Jaguar swallowed in Bucktown

A Jaguar was swallowed up and several basements were reportedly flooded in Bucktown on Monday night after a water main broke. Workers were installing a new water main in the 2300 block of West Palmer Street when the old main broke, said Department of Water Management spokesman Tom LaPorte. Water was shut off to the area, and there were several reports of water breaching basements, LaPorte said. He did not know how many homes were without water service.

Woman collapses at game, dies

A 68-year-old Chicago woman who collapsed Monday night while attending a Blackhawks game at the United Center died of a common form of heart disease, according to an autopsy performed Tuesday by the Cook County medical examiner's office. She was identified as Margaret Kuhlman, of the 2900 block of North Troy Street.

Beer dumper not charged

A Glenview man who poured beer over his balcony onto the head of a man who was smoking a cigarette will not be charged, police said. The man told authorities he was upset because the smoke from employees at the rear of a sushi restaurant wafts up into his apartment. The person he doused was a restaurant employee. Police said no complaints were signed, and restaurant management was told to designate a smoking area for employees 15 feet from the rear entrance.

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Troops in Iraq become U.S. citizens

1 BAGHDAD Almost 200 U.S. soldiers serving in Iraq celebrated Tuesday's elections in a special way and were sworn in as U.S. citizens.

But the 186 men and women—who hail from 60 different countries—won't get to cast that first ballot, at least not this year. They became citizens too late to vote in Tuesday's presidential election.

Dressed in fatigues and standing under a giant U.S. flag, the troops took their citizenship oath at a ceremony in a domed marble hall at Saddam's old Al Faw Palace on Camp Victory near the Baghdad airport.

The soldiers say they relish the chance to cast their ballot in the U.S., even if they missed out on Tuesday's election.

"If something good comes out of a future election, I can say I had something to do with that. It's like my voice is being heard now," said Spc. Ruth McKoy, who was born in the West Indies, Jamaica, and joined the Army in December 2002.

Spc. Rasha Hennessy was born in Baghdad not far from where she took her oath.

"Honestly, I can't even think of how blessed I am to have this privilege," she said. "It's a great thing."



U.S. soldiers attend a ceremony in Baghdad on Tuesday. Nearly 200 service members received their U.S. citizenship. **AP**



2 MOSCOW Riot police detain a nationalist in Moscow on Tuesday as authorities broke up an unauthorized demonstration on a new holiday to mark Russian national unity. Riot police detained 500 people, but released them after only a few hours. There were no reports of injuries. **AP**

3 Hello, winter

A storm dropped as much as 15 inches of snow in the Sierra Nevadas, hastening the state of the ski season but bogging down traffic on mountain highways. The Boreal resort atop Donner Summit reported up to 15 inches of snow from late Monday into Tuesday, and said it hopes to open Thursday.



4 Floods plague Vietnam

After a respite from the rain for much of Monday, showers resumed in northern and central Vietnam on Tuesday and the death toll from days of flooding rose. Authorities announced they had recovered 19 more bodies, bringing the total to 85. **BLOOMBERG NEWS**

5 Children killed in fire

A house fire killed three young brothers during the night and critically injured their grandmother, who apparently tried to rescue them, authorities said Tuesday. The blaze in rural Hartland, N.Y., remained under investigation but appeared to have been accidental, officials said.

6 China, Taiwan make a deal

China and Taiwan made economic history Tuesday with a bold agreement that allows planes and ships to travel directly across the Taiwan Strait. The pact was possible because negotiators set aside thorny political disputes and only focused on trade and economics.

7 Newark gets Zagat guide

London, Paris, New York City ... Newark? New Jersey's largest city is set to join that group as the subject of a Zagat restaurant guide due to be published by the end of the year. Newark will join a list of more than 100 other guides in Zagat's worldwide empire of consumer reviews.

8 Talks rejected

Congo's government rejected a rebel warlord's demand for direct talks to solve the conflict that has left hundreds of thousands hungry and homeless in a mineral-rich eastern province. The rebels warned that the government's refusal on Tuesday could lead to more fighting.

9 Halloween trick

A couple in Ramsey, Minn., found methamphetamine and \$85 in cash among their 7-year-old son's Halloween candy. Lars and Shelly Brosdahl called police, who confirmed that the substance was meth, worth up to \$200 on the street. They said someone who looked like a teenager dropped something into their son's bag.

DIGIT 16

A research team from the Institute of Physical and Chemical Science in Japan has succeeded in cloning a mouse using tissue from a mouse that was frozen for 16 years. The newborn mouse is the first animal in the world to be cloned from frozen animal tissue.

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ARRIVING AT A RIVALRY

The Bulls-Cavaliers rivalry might not rank up there with the likes of Lakers-Celtics, or even Bulls-Pistons, but it's loaded with memorable meetings nonetheless. With the arrival of Derrick Rose to the Bulls and LeBron James' ascension to NBA superstar, the Chicago-Cleveland battle reaches new heights. They meet for the first time at 7 p.m. Wednesday in Cleveland. Here's a look back at some of the key moments that helped shape the rivalry.

MAY 5, 1988

A rookie by the name of Scottie Pippen scores 24 points in an arena called the Chicago Stadium as the Bulls eliminate the Cavaliers for their first playoff series win since 1981.

MAY 7, 1989

For the second year in a row, the Bulls go to a Game 5 to boot the Cavs from the playoffs. This time, it is in Cleveland. And this time, Michael Jordan is the hero, hitting one of his most memorable shots—a 15-foot jumper from just outside the foul line at the final buzzer. “He’s exceptionally quick,” said victim Craig Ehlo, “and before I knew it, he was at the foul line.” After the shot, Jordan struck an iconic pose, fist in the air, as he walked off the court—a pose still etched in Bulls fans’ minds.

MARCH 28, 1990

In an overtime game vs. the Cavs in which the Bulls clinched a playoff spot, Jordan scores 69 points. “It was my best game ever, by far, especially because we won,” Jordan said then.

MAY 29, 1992

In a tough series marked by an altercation between Bulls player Stacey King and the Cavs’ Danny Ferry, the Bulls advance to their second straight NBA Finals with a 99-94 win, and they do it in front of Cleveland fans.

MAY 17, 1993

On their way to completing their first three-peat, the Bulls sweep the Cavs, again winning the clincher in Cleveland. Jordan, again, hits a shot at the buzzer that drains the air out of Richfield Coliseum. “There’s not too many times when you have a chance to duplicate something like this,” Jordan would say in reference to his hanging jumper that clinched the Bulls’ Game 5 first-round victory over the Cavs in ’89. “I’m going to church on Sunday because I am very, very fortunate to be able to respond to challenges that some people may not be able to respond to.”

MARCH 31, 2005

A sell-out crowd and national TV audience watch the Cavs’ LeBron James tie the game at the end of regulation before Kirk Hinrich and Co. take over in overtime for a 102-90 win. It is the Bulls’ eighth straight win and widens their division lead over Cleveland to 2½ games. The Bulls eventually make the playoffs for the first time in six years.

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Lou's pep talk

The Bulls heard a different voice at practice Tuesday. It even came from a different sport. Legendary football coach Lou Holtz addressed the team for 25 minutes at the request of Vinny Del Negro. “It was awesome,” guard Kirk Hinrich said. “He’s an incredible speaker.” Del Negro said he planned to sprinkle other motivational speakers throughout the season. “I’m a big believer in trying to learn at least one thing every day,” Del Negro said. “Maybe one guy takes something from what Coach Holtz said, and that makes me feel good.”

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The Whiz Quiz

Think you know your stuff? Test your sports smarts against RedEye's prognosticating pooch Whizzer.

Before the season, LeBron James generated some controversy when he appeared on the cover of *Vogue* with his arms wrapped around a model. Who was it? Text "quiz" and the number of your answer to **47383**. I'll text ya back to tell you if you got the answer right or wrong.



1. Bar Refaeli



2. Heidi Klum



3. Gisele Bündchen



4. Tyra Banks



5. Kate Moss

LEBRON JAMES VS. DERRICK ROSE

Guarded optimism

LeBron James might be the "King," but many Bulls fans see Derrick Rose as the Savior. On Wednesday, the two cross paths in Cleveland. We might be getting ahead of ourselves, but it's time to see who's got the upper hand: the superstar or the superstar-in-the-making. It's a RedEye faceoff!

The King, as in King James. Get it?



NICKNAME

Pooh, as in Winnie the Pooh. Long story, but it originated when he was an infant.

Led St. Vincent-St. Mary High School to three Ohio state titles.



HIGH SCHOOL HIGH

Led Simeon to two Illinois state titles.

College? The King doesn't need college.



COLLEGE

Played at Memphis for one year and led the Tigers to the NCAA title game, where the Tigers lost to Kansas.

No. 1 overall, 2003



NBA DRAFT

No. 1 overall, 2008

No. 23. That's a sacred number in these parts, mister.



JERSEY NUMBER

No. 1. And he's humble too.

In '03, James debuted with 25 points, 9 assists and 6 rebounds. Not bad.



FIRST NBA GAME

Almost had a double-double, scoring 11 points and dishing out 9 assists Oct. 28 against Milwaukee.

THE WINNER: LEBRON

Sorry, Derrick, it's not your time quite yet. James has established himself as one of the NBA's greatest.



James
AP FILE



Rose
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Is Iverson the answer?

OK, fantasy basketball owners, calm down, breathe deeply and slowly. Doctor's orders. Yes, it's rare to have a blockbuster trade like Detroit and Denver's big-name swap this early in the season. But let's think rationally about the Allen Iverson trade.

Iverson was in Denver's doghouse, and that's probably why his scoring was down. But his new Detroit digs don't mean he'll put up the huge numbers he did in his prime. He's the aging Answer at 33, and the Pistons play more of a team-based game than the shoot-first, ask-questions-later style Iverson is used to. Expect Iverson to score in the low to mid-20s and his assists to increase. Just don't expect him to practice. I mean, we're talking about practice, man. Practice!

Hightail it to Hightower

It's official: The Edge no longer has the edge in Arizona. Edgerrin James had zero carries Sunday for the Cardinals, paving the way for the Tim Hightower era. Snap him off the waiver wire if he's still out there. As for James, he said he doesn't fit the offense. Time to cut him.

The Dynamic Duo

The dual running back system in the NFL usually is a source of infinite frustration for fantasy owners, but not for owners of Tennessee's Chris Johnson and LenDale White. The two are putting up prime-time fantasy numbers. Each is getting enough carries in the pass-averse offense to be fantasy starters. Johnson may be the better back, but White has a more considerable back end, making him a favorite for goal-line carries. Start both.

Daunte's non-Inferno

It's hard to think about Daunte Culpepper and not reminisce about his days ringing up ungodly numbers with the high-flying Vikings of the early 2000s. But it's 2008, Culpepper has about 100,000 too many miles on his odometer, and he's playing for the Lions. Sure, he gets to throw to Megatron, but Culpepper is no Optimus Prime. Don't put him in your lineup. D.R. SMITH IS A REDEYE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR.



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1 How was the presidential election like a sporting event?	Because they wear jockstraps under their suits too.	Obama and McCain were like boxers punching with words. Palin was the ring-card girl.	The Mavericks lost in the finals.	In the election, "tailgate" refers to McCain choosing Sarah Palin to be by his side.	I was led to believe both involved a taco giveaway. I was wrong.
2 Sports winners are doused in Gatorade. What should presidential winners get?	A warm glass of shut the heck up.	Doused in soap and water to wash off all the dirt they've been slinging.	A nap.	Green apple Boone's Farm or anything else you can buy with change.	A new car! Provided they can arrange five numbers into the correct price.
3 What should Rex Grossman focus on this week in practice?	Growing a neck beard as well as 3 inches so he can see over the line.	Finding a magic potion that would make him grow 4 inches or so.	His postgame comments explaining the Bears' loss to the Titans.	Not throwing the game.	If he insists on dropping back to pass: reading up on acupuncture.
4 How will the Detroit Pistons be different with Allen Iverson?	They won't.	The team tattoo-per-person ratio should skyrocket.	On advice of counsel, I decline to answer this NBA question on the grounds I hate the NBA.	Don't worry, Detroit, everything will be just fine. You get what you pay for.	Finally they'll be able to count on one player to take all of their bad shots.
5 Give Jen Patterson a proper Five on Five welcome.	Please send all gifts to: "Attention Jen Patterson" at RedEye.	Even if she's from radio, Jen has Derrick Rose-like rookie potential here.	I'll meet you at Leo's house. You bring the bourbon, I'll bring the hookers.	Don't be tempted by Jimmy's bedroom eyes or the Hot Pocket promises of the others.	Hi, Jen. I'm Leo, the one person here who hasn't been on "To Catch a Predator."

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■ **Max Payne** (PG-13) 2:10,4:50,7:20,10:00
■ **Quarantine** (R) 12:45,3:30,6:15,9:00
■ **BH Chihuahua** (PG) 1:50,4:15,6:50,9:15
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■ **Haunting-Molly** (PG-13) ★ 12:50,3:10,5:30,7:50,10:10
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■ **Passengers** (PG-13) ★ 12:35,5:25,10:20
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■ **Religulous** (R) 11:30,2:05,4:35,7:10,9:45
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A night without election coverage is like a night without Bag Boy passing out on the couch. Just unnatural.

Also unnatural: A Northern Illinois football game that matters on the natural scene. The Huskies face a Ball State squad that could make some noise in the BCS. NIU can squash that. Kind of like how Kyle Orton got squashed Sunday. Oooohhh, too soon?

Here now, my TV picks.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL
N. Illinois at Ball St.
7 p.m. ESPN2

Ball State is No. 16 and is undefeated. Northern Illinois isn't.

NBA
Bulls at Cleveland
7 p.m. ESPN

It's an early-season test for Derrick Rose and our Bulls. Or, maybe it's a pop quiz. No, definitely a test. But not a midterm.

NBA
Denver at Golden State
9:30 p.m. ESPN

It'll be funny seeing Chauncey Billups and Antonio McDyess in Nuggets uniforms. Who am I kidding? I've never watched them—period.



NIU having a Ball (State)

Coach Brady Hoke won't have to buy a ticket for Wednesday night's game between Northern Illinois and his Ball State Cardinals. But he would.

"I love watching [NIU] play," said Hoke, eschewing standard coach-speak platitudes. "You watch their front and how they come off the ball, and then their linebackers play so downhill. You watch them fit the bodies to the ball. To me they're fun to watch."

So is Ball State, ranked 17th in the BCS standings and 16th by The Associated Press. The Cardinals' smallest margin of victory has been 12 points.

Conversely, no team has beaten Northern Illinois by more than four. Its three losses have been by a combined 11 points. The Huskies led in all three defeats, then fell behind by as much as 11, then had to be turned back with stops in the fourth quarter. In two of their last three wins, they trailed, then rallied in the fourth

quarter.

A problem facing Northern Illinois is that Ball State makes few mistakes.

"I always look at teams up front, and [Ball State's] offensive and defensive lines always have great pad level, use the proper footwork and use their hands well," Northern Illinois coach Jerry Kill said. "You can always tell when people are well coached by looking at how they play up front."

The Cardinals are good behind that front as well. Ball State lost star wide receiver Dante Love to a spine injury, but quarterback Nate Davis is completing two-thirds of his passes, 15 for touchdowns and only five interceptions.

"They have a great quarterback," Kill said. "Not a good quarterback; a great one. He's a guy who will be playing in the NFL."

Northern Illinois' David Bryant (4), Tim McCarthy (53) and Mike Sobol bring down Tennessee's Arian Foster in October. The Huskies lost by four points.

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HOMETOWN HITS



The Fire's Jon Busch was named the Major League Soccer goalkeeper of the year.

Busch tied for the league lead with 10 shutouts and was second with 122 saves and a 1.10 goals-against average.

» Goalkeeper Matt Reis acknowledged that his New England Revolution was trying to influence the referee's decisions in Thursday night's 0-0 playoff tie against the Fire, but he thinks the Fire was guilty as well. "They were in the ref's ear also," said Reis in light of Fire forward Brian McBride's comments that the Revolution had too much influence on the referee. "It goes both ways. Everyone is trying to get the ref on their side. I think each team saw a bit of injustice in the game."



Northwestern quarterback C.J. Bacher moved better at practice Tuesday,

but he needs every day to become easier if he wants to play Saturday against Ohio State. After sitting out of practice all last week and Saturday against Minnesota with a hamstring injury, Bacher and backup Mike Kafka took turns taking snaps at practice. "I can't open up yet," Bacher said. "I'm just trying to prepare myself mentally more than anything else."

COPS AND JOCKS

Athletes can't seem to stay out of trouble, and we can't seem to look away.



Canseco pleads guilty

Jose Canseco has pleaded guilty in federal court to a misdemeanor offense of trying to bring a fertility drug across the border from Mexico. The former baseball star was sentenced Tuesday to 12 months' unsupervised probation.

HIT AND RUN

NHL

Brodeur has surgery

New Jersey Devils goaltender Martin Brodeur is expected to miss up to four months after undergoing elbow surgery. The 36-year-old Brodeur will undergo surgery Thursday to repair the distal bicep in the left elbow, the Devils said Tuesday.



CYCLING

Armstrong still unsure

Lance Armstrong has yet to decide whether he will try for an eighth Tour de France title in 2009. "I want to say I'm not trying to be coy; I'm not playing games with [the Tour] or with fans or with media. I simply don't know," Armstrong said Tuesday during wind tunnel testing at the San Diego Air & Space Technology Center (left). AP PHOTO

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Dawn of Eve

After a week in training, a new contemporary spot steps out on the Gold Coast

BITE SIZE

>> Michiganders rejoice! **Steve's Deli** (354 W. Hubbard St.), an offshoot of a much-loved spot in Bloomfield Hills, Mich., is now open in River North.

>> Former Nacional 27 executive chef Randy Zweiban has struck out on his own at **Province** (161 N. Jefferson St., pictured below) in the West Loop.

>> **Berry Chill** is quietly taking over the city. The latest location is in the Ogilvie Transportation Center (500 W. Madison St.).

>> **Chickpea** (2018 W. Chicago Ave.), Jerry Suqi's new West Town Middle Eastern spot, opens in mid-November.

>> Paula Haney of **Hoosier Mama Pie Company** is opening a shop at 1618 ½ W. Chicago Ave. in West Town. The storefront won't debut in full until early '09, but she's taking special holiday orders.

>> Nothing says the holidays in Chicago like ... a mai tai? **Trader Vic's** will rise again at 1030 N. State St. before the year is out.

>> Signs of the times: Avenue M, Brasserie Ruhlmann, Shochu and Violet all closed in October. **Delece Grill** Pub (3313 N. Clark St.) already is open in the old Shochu space.



GET THERE NOW

Eve

840 N. Wabash Ave.
312-266-3383

After warming up with lunch service for a week, this sister spot to Lincoln Square's Tallulah is ready for prime time. Dinner debuts Wednesday night. Executive chef Troy

Graves, who made a name for himself at the now-shuttered Meritage before heading to Tallulah earlier this year, has put together a contemporary American menu with worldly influences—expect dishes such as duck consomme with duck rillette pot stickers, green papaya and lemongrass essence; and pan-seared scallops with roasted pear risotto, taleggio and crispy prosciutto. The comfortable but classy interior befits the Gold Coast address, with a soothing blue-gray color scheme, white leather furnishings and a backlit alabaster bar.

4 MORE SPOTS TO TRY

1 Rockstar Dogs

350 W. Armitage Ave. 773-975-1364

Dion Antic, the man behind such now-departed nightspots as Iggy's, Liquid Kitty and Get Me High Lounge, has spun off a second location of his kitschy late-night hot dog joint. The setup is similar to the original Rockstar in East Ukie Village: Hot dogs are named after rockers, and the space is tricked out with a stripper pole and rock memorabilia. Non-dog options unique to this include barbecue chicken wings dubbed Rockstar Drumsticks (the recipe's a holdover from Iggy's) and chocolate-dipped frozen bananas.

2 Antica Pizzeria

5663 N. Clark St. 773-944-1492

This 10-day-old Andersonville spot with an eye-catching striped awning features an all-Italian lineup of antipasti, Neapolitan-style pizzas, pasta dishes and entrees. Inside, there's an open kitchen so you can watch pizzaiolo Gino Loscaco (formerly of Macello) work the wood-burning oven.

3 Century Public House

1330 W. Morse Ave. 773-654-5100

It's adjacent to the new Morse Theatre in Rogers Park, but this spot is more than just a place for a quick bite before a show (though it's good for that too). Executive chef Peter Camphouse, a lifelong Midwesterner who last cooked at Prairie Grass Cafe, offers an ambitious menu of regionally focused fare and sources many of his products locally.

4 Fontana Grill

1329 W. Wilson Ave. 773-561-0400

This Uptown grill and wine bar complements a menu of Italian fare with a handful of Bosnian selections, including dishes based on recipes from owner Nino Divanovic's grandmother. Once the liquor license is in place (it's BYOB for now), Fontana will offer wines by the bottle, by the glass and, for a true tasting experience, by the ounce.

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Toast with the most

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Real drama

Athenaeum Theatre, 2936 N. Southport Ave. 773-935-6860.

From "Gossip Girl" to "90210," we've just about had it with teen dramas, save one: **"Haram Iran."** Based on a true story, Permoveo Productions' world premiere drama tells the story of two teenage Arab Iranian boys who get caught in a homosexual act and exposed to an unforgiving legal system. Local playwright Jay Paul Deratany wrote the script; Bailiwick Repertory artistic director David Zak directs. 8 p.m. \$18-\$20. Through Dec. 7.

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Show and tell

Hideout, 1354 W. Wabansia Ave. 773-227-4433.

Catch up on late-night schtick before the witching hour at **The Interview Show.** RedEye columnist and overall funnyman Mark Bazer hosts the afterwork talk show; Friday's guests include filmmaker Steve Conrad ("The Pursuit of Happyness"), local playwright Keith Huff ("A Steady Rain") and sketch-comedy group Schadenfreude. 6:30 p.m. \$5.

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Cash 'n' carry

The Brown Elephant, 3651 N. Halsted St. 773-549-5943.

The trouble with new designer handbags? They leave you with nothing to tote but an empty wallet. Not so at the **Designer Handbag Sale**, an annual shopping event featuring 65-75 gently used bags from such coveted labels as Chanel, Coach and Prada. 11 a.m.; continues 11 a.m. Sunday if supplies last. Free.

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\$2 off roasted chicken dinners, \$4.25 Sam Adams Seasonal drafts, \$5 Magner drafts, \$14 domestic buckets, \$16 import buckets, trivia 8:30 p.m.; 420 W. Belmont Ave. 773-248-6654.

CELTIC CROWN PUBLIC HOUSE

\$4 Guinness, Bass and black 'n' tan drafts, \$5.99 shepherd's pie, \$12 domestic table tappers, half-price Harp drafts and select cocktails, pub trivia 7:30 p.m.; 4301 N. Western Ave. 773-588-1110.

THE CENTRAL

\$1 Miller Lite bottles, \$3 flatbreads; 3466 N. Clark St. 773-880-2222.

CINNERS

\$2 Schlitz cans, music trivia night 8 p.m.; 4757 N. Talman Ave. 773-654-1624.

THE DARK HORSE TAP AND GRILLE

\$3 Bell's Oberon drafts, \$5 steak dinners; 3443 N. Sheffield Ave. 773-248-4400.

EVIL OLIVE

Simply Soul Wednesdays. \$6 20-ounce Stella bombs, DJs spin. \$5; 1551 W. Division St. 773-235-9100.

FAT CAT

\$4 for five sliders, \$4 312 drafts; 4840 N. Broadway. 773-506-3100.

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\$3 drafts, two-for-one shots; 2512 N. Halsted St. 773-296-9700.

THE GRAND CENTRAL

\$2 sangrias, \$2 312 drafts and Bud bottles and drafts, half-price sandwiches; 950 W. Wrightwood Ave. 773-832-4000.

GREEN DOOR TAVERN

\$2 mini-corn dog baskets (4-7 p.m.), \$3 Miller High Life drafts; 678 N. Orleans St. 312-664-5496.

HAMILTON'S PUB

\$7.50 lunch specials (11 a.m.-3:30 p.m.), 25 cent wings, \$2.75 Michelob Ultra and Bud bottles, \$5.25 Red Bull vodkas; 6341 N. Broadway. 773-764-8133.

HYDRATE

\$4 Stoli cocktails, Stoli bombs and Corona bottles, Hy-Drag Revue 10 p.m. No cover; 3458 N. Halsted St. 773-975-9244.

NIGHTCRAWLERS

Heroes for a day

A crowd of costumed revelers filled **Harry Caray Tavern's** (3551 N. Sheffield Ave. 773-327-7800) last Friday for Metromix's sold-out **Heroes and Villains Halloween Party**. Though we spotted everyone from Captain America to the Tooth Fairy, a Speedo-clad Michael Phelps and wetsuit-wearing Scuba Steve (below) took first place in the hero category of the costume contest. Head to metromix.com for more photos of the party's creative costume-wearers.



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J BAR

\$5 Effen cocktails, free appetizers (6-8 p.m.); 610 N. Rush St. 312-660-7200.

LA CANTINA GRILL

\$3.50 house martinis; 1911 S. Michigan Ave. 312-842-1911.

LANDMARK

Wino Wednesdays. Complimentary flatbread pizzas with wine bottle purchase (6-8 p.m.), \$5 Absolut vodka cocktails; 1633 N. Halsted St. 312-597-1600.

LIAR'S CLUB

\$2 PBR cans, \$3 Shiner Bock bottles and Stoli shots, \$4 Stoli cocktails, DJ Avi Sic spins 10 p.m.; 1665 W. Fullerton Ave. 773-665-1110.

LOTTIES PUB

\$2 cans of beer, \$3 chicken sandwiches, \$4 cocktails; 1925 W. Cortland Ave. 773-489-0738.

MAD RIVER BAR & GRILLE

\$5 Ketel One cocktails, \$2 Coors Light drafts, \$3 Blue Moon pints and Coors Light bottles, \$5 wraps and flatbreads; 2909 N. Sheffield Ave. 773-935-7500.

MAHONEY'S PUB & GRILLE

8 p.m.: Road to Fame Open Auditions. Contestants sing a cappella for a rotating panel of judges including columnist Susanna Homan, Elvis impersonator Mark "Elvis" Hussman, members of alt-rock band Lovehammers and DJ Tim Pogo. The winner of the Road to Fame finale gets \$500 cash and a trip to L.A. to perform for a talent scout at the club Rush Street. No cover. R.S.V.P. required to compete: mahoneysroadtofame.com; 551 N. Ogden Ave. 312-733-2121.

MINIBAR | WINEBAR

\$1 Miller Light bottles, \$3-\$5 cocktails, \$1 bruschetta (5-7 p.m.); 3339-41 N. Halsted St. 773-871-6227.

THE MOTEL BAR

\$4 Amstel Light and Heineken bottles, \$5

Stoli cocktails, \$6 half-pound burgers with fries; 600 W. Chicago Ave. 312-822-2900.

OHM

\$4 Heineken bottles, \$5 Effen cocktails, \$125 Effen bottles; 1958 W. North Ave. (entrance at rear/alley). 773-278-4646.

PEOPLE LOUNGE

\$3 glasses of sangria, \$3 Miller Light bottles, \$5 Absolut cocktails, DJ 14K and guests spin 9 p.m. No cover; 1560 N. Milwaukee Ave. 773-227-9339.

THE RAIL BAR & GRILL

\$1.50 burgers with fries and 50 cent chili, \$3 Sierra Nevada drafts, \$4 bombs; 4709 N. Damen Ave. 773-878-9400.

REGGIE'S MUSIC JOINT

Half-price appetizers, Stoli cocktails and Stella and Hoegaarden drafts, \$4 American Honey lemonades, \$5 Long Island iced teas and margaritas; 2105 S. State St. 312-949-0120.

SHEFFIELD'S

7 p.m.: RUI: Reading Under the Influence. Features readings of both published and original selections from regular performers and guest readers. Includes drink specials, trivia and giveaways. \$3. More info: readingundertheinfluence.com; 3258 N. Sheffield Ave. 773-281-4989.

SPIN

\$1 well drinks, wine and domestic drafts, VJs Riley York and Bryan, DJ Chris Eterno spins. \$5; 800 W. Belmont Ave. 773-327-7711.

THE SPOT

Half-price bottles of wine, \$10 all-you-can-eat wings, karaoke 9 p.m. No cover; 4437 N. Broadway. 773-728-8934.

STATE RESTAURANT & CAFE

Half-price food and bottles of wine; 935 W. Webster Ave. 773-975-8030.

Random Acts of Greatness

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things we're loving this week

» The **heat lamps** on the patio at Duchamp (2118 N. Damen Ave. 773-235-6434). Is this November in Chicago, or is this heaven?

» The **color-changing spoons** at frozen yogurt shop Berry Chill (132 N. LaSalle St. 312-553-2445; 635 N. State St., 312-266-2445; 500 W. Madison St. 312-993-9644)

» The **front of house staff** at Landmark (1633 N. Halsted St. 312-587-1600), who'll stand in line for you at will call at the nearby theaters so you can spend an extra 10 minutes lingering over a cocktail.



Landmark

» We couldn't actually taste any Old Style in the new **beer-crust pizza** (\$10.99 for a large) from Connie's (2373 S. Archer Ave. 312-266-6437), but the Italian beef and pepper toppings sure packed a punch. We suggest more beer to wash down these spicy slices.

» Bread crumbs in a sushi roll? Yep, it's all part of the **Ringo Sizzle Maki** (\$7.95), a warm roll that also includes eel, cream cheese, smoked salmon, avocado and lots more, from Ringo (2507-09 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-248-5788). The combination is a little strange, but very tasty.

Join the randomness!

What are you loving this week? Log onto metromix.com to send us your own Random Acts of Greatness. You might just spot your pick in a future issue.

WATERHOUSE

\$4 chocolate martinis, half-price wine, trivia contest 8 p.m.; 3407 N. Paulina St. 773-871-1200.

WEATHER MARK TAVERN

\$2 domestic bottles, \$6 brats with fries;

1503 S. Michigan Ave. 312-588-0230.

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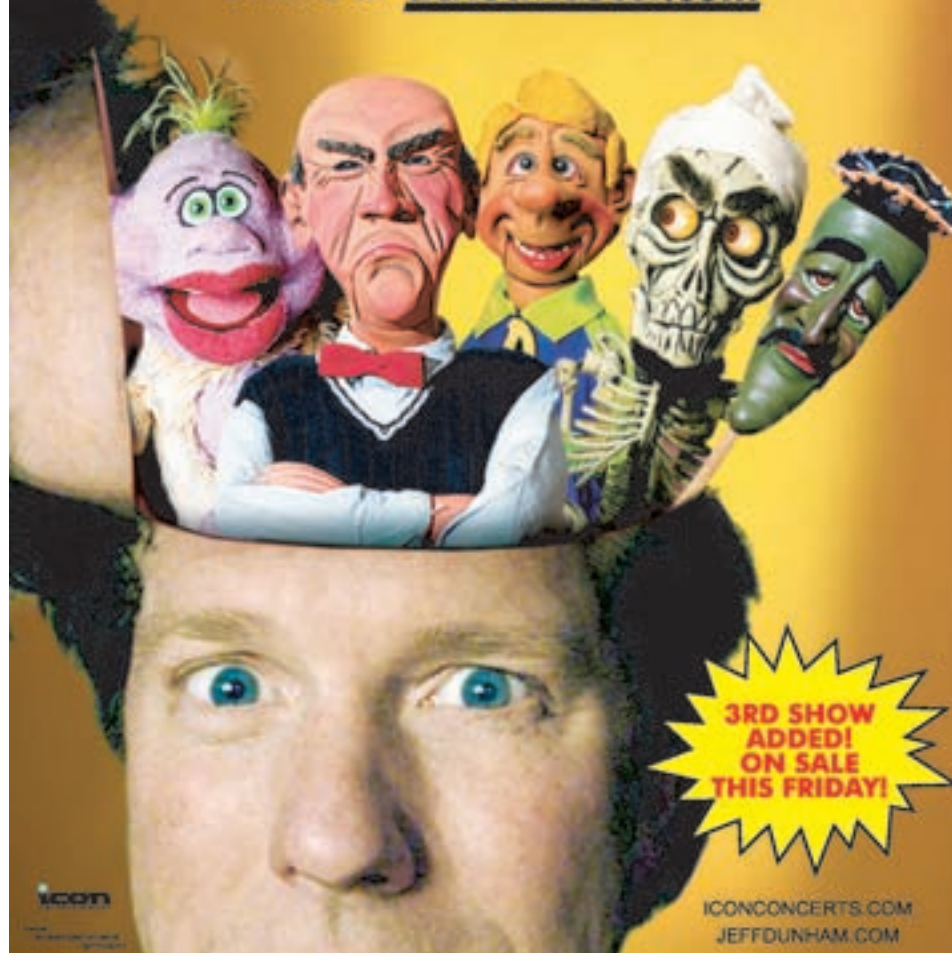
\$1 PBR cans, \$2 Tecate cans or Miller Lite pints, \$5 Jack, Crown Royal or Jameson and Coke cocktails, DJs spin techno 10 p.m.; 1637 W. North Ave. 773-276-8477.

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Talkin' turkey

Whatever your style, there's room for you at the table this Thanksgiving

By M. Kathleen Pratt

Thanksgiving always sneaks up on you. One day you're packing up your Halloween costume, the next you're glancing at the calendar to discover (yikes!) only three weeks till turkey time. Fortunately, you're not alone. There's still plenty to go around, no matter what kind of feast suits you best.

You're a ... vegan

About you: You've got a lifetime membership to PETA. You always choose tofurkey over turducken. The phrase most likely to be heard at your holiday table is, "Could you please pass the savory herb loaf?"

Your match: **Chicago Diner** (3411 N. Halsted St.). This long-running Boystown veggie spot serves its annual vegan feast, a turkey-free spread that includes salad, soup, an entree (options include pumpkin lasagna, roasted veggie tofu "turkey," and seitan and mushroom Wellington), a full complement of sides and dessert. There's also a raw plate option.

Essentials: Seatings at noon, 2 p.m., 4 p.m., 6 p.m. \$37.99; \$22.99 for kids. Reservations required: 773-935-6696. Carryout also available.

You're a ... carnivore

About you: You think white meat is for the birds. You've never met a steak you didn't like. You'd shoot wild game from your helicopter, if you had one.

Your match: **ZED451** (739 N. Clark St.). You could argue that it's Thanksgiving every day at ZED451, which piles on all manner of all-you-can-eat meat, carved tableside, as a matter of course. (There's poultry and some greenery too, but face it: Everyone knows why you're really here.) The River North spot isn't doing a special Thanksgiving menu, but the usual onslaught of steaks will parade past until you've had your fill.

Essentials: Noon-10 p.m. \$55. Reservations recommended: 312-266-6691.

You ... love a parade

About you: Giant inflatable Peanuts characters don't scare you at all. You'd stand in the rain for hours to catch a glimpse of the Shriners in their fun hats. There's no way you're missing the 75th Annual

McDonald's Thanksgiving Parade (details at metromix.com).

Your match: **China Grill** (230 N. Michigan Ave.). Located in the Hard Rock Hotel, this pan-Asian spot is just a few blocks from the end of the parade route at State and Randolph Streets. After the spectacle winds down, head over for a four-course feast of Asian twists on traditional dishes such as five spice-rubbed turkey breast with cranberry-orange chutney and

miso-infused gravy.

Essentials: Noon-8 p.m. \$44. Reservations required: 312-334-6700. Regular menu also available.

You ... hate a parade

About you: Giant inflatable Peanuts characters scare you more than you'd care to admit. You won't go anywhere near Michigan Avenue within 24 hours of the biggest shopping day of the year. You typically need several stiff drinks to survive Turkey Day.

Your match: **Chief O'Neill's Pub** (3471 N. Elston Ave.). Seek refuge at this warm and welcoming Celtic joint located far from the downtown crowds. The four-course holiday menu includes options such as pumpkin bisque with blue cheese-crusted croutons and cranberry pesto-crusted prime rib. Pumpkin cheesecake with Bushmills-sour cream topping delivers your whiskey fix, but if you need something harder, you can count on Chief O'Neill's for one of the best whiskey selections in town.

Essentials: 11 a.m.-8 p.m. \$27.95; \$12.95 for kids ages 3-12. Reservations: 773-583-3066.

You're a ... traditionalist

About you: You named your dog Mayflower. Your belt buckle collection is the talk of all your friends. You sometimes roast a whole turkey in July, just 'cause.

Your match: **Lockwood Restaurant** (17 E.



Taking the vegan route on Thanksgiving? Try Chicago Diner.
FILE FOR METROMIX

Monroe St.). It doesn't get more classic than the restaurant at the landmark Palmer House Hilton, where a buffet features all the traditional faves plus some contemporary updates. Look for a spread that includes chestnut soup, braised sweet potatoes, carved meats and much more. Includes champagne for adults and sparkling cider for kids.

Essentials: 11 a.m.-7 p.m. \$50-\$65; \$25 for kids 11 and younger. Reservations required: 312-621-7360.

You're an ... escapist

About you: Everyone knows better than to bring up the grease fire of 2006 in your presence. You haven't put the batteries back in your smoke alarm since Christmas. Face it:

You'll be more comfortable with a cold body of water between you and your kitchen.

Your match: Thanksgiving Dinner Cruise. Hop aboard the **Spirit of Chicago** and get away from it all. The three-hour Lake Michigan cruise includes a buffet (prepared by trained professionals, thank you very much) stacked with dishes like walnut-crusted turkey breast and cheddar cheese mashed potatoes. Live entertainment and dancing provide additional distractions.

Essentials: 6-10 p.m. \$62.90. Departs at 7 p.m. from Navy Pier, 600 E. Grand Ave. Reservations required: 866-273-2469.

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FOODLIFE

Let loose at **Wine Down**, a monthly event featuring 20 wines from around the world. Includes

snacks. \$15. 6 p.m. Friday. 835 N. Michigan Ave. 312-335-3663.

TASTE FOOD & WINE

This little Jarvis Square wine and specialty foods shop uncorks a few gems for **free tastings** every week. 6 p.m. Friday. 1506 W. Jarvis Ave. 773-761-3663.

WINE DISCOUNT CENTER

Join this well-regarded vino house for a **weekly tasting** of 10 wines. Noon Saturday. 1826 1/2 N. Elston Ave. 773-489-3454.

ANGELINA RISTORANTE

5 p.m. Sun.: 20th Anniversary Celebration. The long-running Lakeview restaurant pays homage to its opening year, 1988, with a \$19.88 three-course prix-fixe meal featuring dishes from the '88 menu. The regular menu is also available; 3561 N. Broadway. 773-935-5933.

CARMICHAEL'S

8 a.m. Sat.: Steak & Eggs and More. Try fresh-grilled barbecue and get cooking tips from Dr. BBQ (a.k.a. Ray Lampe), "Iron Chef" Kevin Rathbun and other chefs at a promotion for Big Green Egg grills. Includes wine and a raffle. \$49; 1052 W. Monroe St. 312-433-0025.

DUCHAMP

5-7 p.m. Wed.-Sun.: \$35 for two glasses of champagne, two appetizers and two

chocolate cupcakes; 2118 N. Damen Ave. 773-235-6434.

ENOTECA PIATTINI

4-6 p.m. Wed.-Fri.: Half-price food; Wed.: Half-price glasses of wine and bottled beers; Thu.: Half-price champagne and sparkling wine bottles; Sun.: Buy one entree, get one free; 934 W. Webster Ave. 773-935-8466.

GIOCO

11:30 a.m. Sun.: Bears dining deal. Dine at the restaurant before the game and valet park your car for \$10 until the game ends; 1312 S. Wabash Ave. 312-939-3820.

HOP HAUS

4-7 p.m. Wed.-Fri.: \$5 appetizers; 646 N. Franklin St. 312-467-4287.

IN FINE SPIRITS

7:30 p.m. Wed.: Harvest Beer Dinner. Flossmoor Station Brewing Co.'s brewmaster and new In Fine Spirits chef

Marianne Sundquist host a six-course meal with pairings. \$60. Reservations required; 5420 N. Clark St. 773-334-9463.

LA MADIA

Wed.-Sun.: \$5 select glasses of wine; 7 p.m. Wed.: Chef's Table. Watch chef/owner Jonathan Fox and his staff prepare pizza and menu specials, then sample their cooking during this monthly event. Includes wine pairings. \$25. Reservations recommended; 59 W. Grand Ave. 312-329-0400.

A MANO

Wed.-Sun.: \$5 pizzas in the bar and lounge; 5 p.m. Wed.-Sun.: \$58 three-course dinner for two; Sun.: Half-price bottles of wine; 335 N. Dearborn St. 312-629-3500.

MERLO RISTORANTE

5:30 p.m. Wed.-Sun.: \$25 theater dinner. Includes a choice of

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POWERHOUSE RESTAURANT AND BAR

4:30-7 p.m. Wed.-Fri.: \$2.01 appetizer menu; 11 a.m. Wed.-Fri.: \$25 three-course lunch. Includes a choice of soup/salad/risotto, an entree and sweet potato doughnuts for dessert; 215 N. Clinton St. 312-928-0800.

ROOM 21

6 p.m. Thu.: Cooking Demonstration. Learn basic cooking techniques from chef Daniel Tucker during this monthly class. This session, learn to make homemade mozzarella. Includes samples and a glass of wine. \$10; 2110 S. Wabash Ave. 312-328-1198.

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TIZI MELLOUL

Wed.: Half-price bottles of wine with purchase of two entrees; Wed.-Sat.: \$35 five-course prix-fixe dinner; 6-9 p.m. Sun.: Wine, appetizers and belly dance performances. \$25. No reservations accepted; 531 N. Wells St. 312-670-4338.

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Local rockers Anathallo are high on caffeine and ready to mess with you

By Matt Pais

"Wow, those guys are bonkers!"

That's the type of reaction Anathallo elicited by its former use of "instruments" like Velcro, socket wrenches and bike tires on their debut album "Floating World," says Matt Joynt, singer/guitarist of the Michigan-bred, Chicago-based band.

Now free of such frills—though not necessarily permanently, Joynt says—the indie rock septet is primed to release its much-anticipated follow-up, "Canopy Glow" (due Nov. 18), a considerably more concise effort that emphasizes straightforward, though still grandly orchestral, arrangements and the gorgeous vocal interplay between Joynt, 25, and singer Erica Froman, 24.

Considering Joynt (who lives in Uptown) and Froman (who lives in Ravenswood) both work in coffee shops (Joynt at The Perfect Cup in Ravenswood, Froman at Taza in Lincoln Square), it was no surprise that they suggested meeting at one. Over drinks at Intelligentsia (53 E. Randolph St.), Anathallo's singers talked to us about being overcaffeinated and whether they want to assault their audiences.

What's the worst thing you've ever done on a caffeine bender?

Matt Joynt: Tried to do a written essay in college. I worked until three in the morning at a cafe and then I had a class with a written essay [test] and I ended up staying up because I hadn't studied at all for it. I was trying to write and my hand was so shaky that I literally could not write the essay. And I had to go up to the professor [and say], "This is so embarrassing, but I am out of my mind. Do you mind if I come and take this to your office later in the day?"

What did you learn from that?

MJ: Not much because the professor actually let me do it. So I was like, "Oh, it worked out. Now I have an extra hour to study." I'm still doing it. *[Points to drink in front of him]* I just got an extra shot in this.

He didn't think you were messed up on something else?

MJ: No, he believed me. I was a pretty straight-laced kid in college, and I always got A's in class, so I think he trusted me.

The band has been described as a "symphonic assault." What do you think qualifies you as such?

MJ: I don't remember reading that. I didn't write that. I wish I had though. I guess for

us it would just be all of our pistons pumping at the same time.

Erica Froman: Most of the songs aren't very sparse in any sense of the word on the record. It's pretty action-packed. Lots of things we won't be able to play live. *[Laughs]*

"Symphonic assault" sounds to me like you guys speeding down the road in your van, playing as loud as possible and refusing to stop.

MJ: Sometimes our shows are like that. When we go on tour with bands that [don't] seem like a great fit for us, the first couple nights—to feel out the set—we fly through everything without many breaks between the songs. Just to be safe in case people are going to heckle us or scream obscene things at us.

EF: And we rock the songs out.

MJ: It's mostly insecurity probably ... *[Roadies, costume changes]*, that would be an assault to me. I don't want to be *[a symphonic assault]*.

But you guys have played in marching bands, and that's definitely a symphonic assault.

MJ: OK, if that's a symphonic assault then I guess we sort of are going for that. We try to make the show really powerful, musically. I guess I have negative connotations with being assaulted: "That show kicked my ass!"

You don't want people to say that?

MJ: No. I want them to be like, "That was really fun." Not *[while]* tired and with a black eye. A musical black eye.

"Anathallo beat me senseless, and I loved it!"

MJ: Maybe that would be kind of cool.

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Despite slumping economy, owners spare no expense for man's best friend

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Emilie Wilson's menagerie includes 15 ferrets, two dogs and four cats, including a hefty gray feline named Tonie Stewart who rides in style inside a pet stroller during family outings.

Wilson spent \$300 on Christmas gifts for her brood last year and figures she'll exceed that sum this year. And despite the recession-like economy, the Rosemont resident has no plans to scale back on pet presents any time soon. "I couldn't care less if there's anything under the tree for us, as long as there's something for Tonie," she said.

Retailers may be worrying about the possibility of the worst fourth quarter in generations, but those in the pet products industry are finding themselves in a veritable oasis among much of the gloom of American business. Companies that sell everything from organic dog treats to couture-inspired pet toys say business is up even as economic indicators show shoppers are pinching pennies during one of the worst downturns in decades.

"I think they're buying nice dog collars instead of remodeling their kitchen," said Fiona Tavernier, whose Lollypaddoodle business near San Francisco sells wool stuffed dog toys and is going strong.

It may sound counterintuitive—even to some in the pet industry who say they're surprised business is robust—but experts say many pet owners are as dedicated to their animals as parents are to children. And that means they're willing to sacrifice on themselves before trimming back on their four-legged friends.

"You know, for some families, the pet comes first," said Carol Perkins, president and co-founder of Harry Barker, a Charleston, S.C.-based pet toy company whose sales are up 40 percent this year. "The dog goes to the vet first and the dog gets organic food. Maybe some people will cut back on a dog bed, but they'll still buy dog treats, toys and collars and leashes."

The American Pet Products Association estimates Americans will spend \$43.4 billion



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CAROL PERKINS

president and co-founder of Harry Barker

this year on their pets—a figure that includes everything from treats to training—despite the dramatic slowdown in discretionary spending. That's 26 percent higher than what U.S. consumers spent in 2004, the group said.

"It's definitely more resilient than most categories tied to discretionary spending," said Morningstar analyst R.J. Hottovy.

"It's one of the last categories [people] cut out of their budget."

Backing that up is a poll earlier this year in ShopSmart, a publication from Consumer Reports, which says female shoppers are more likely to buy cheaper brands of everything from medication to milk, but are digging in their heels when it comes to switching to less expensive pet food and personal care items.

Still, there are signs that the most extravagant expenses—such as crystal bowls and custom-



Henry, a visitor to Stay, a dog hotel in Chicago, enjoys the accommodations.

Despite the slumping economy, pet business is doing well. **BILL HOGAN/TRIBUNE FILE**

By the numbers

According to industry statistics, nearly one out of every three U.S. households has a pet. That's a lot of tails, scales and paws to pamper during the holidays. Here's a breakdown of the \$43.4 billion the American Pet Products Association estimates pet owners will spend this year. **AP**

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\$10.9 billion
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made pet beds—may be sidelined amid growing economic uncertainty.

"Gone are the days when people would buy \$100 collars and fake fur," said Claire Chew, of Venice, Calif., who founded Luxepets, a line of pet keepsakes.

American Pet Products Association spokeswoman Leah Nelson said the group doesn't release industry sales projections, but that it is "eyeing the future" with caution.

That's why Paige Ormand, the owner of the Doggy Style Pet Shop in Wicker Park, is ordering more products that are less expensive—for example, \$5 toys instead of \$20 models.

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Anthony Anderson
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Can 'Law & Order' outlive 'Gunsmoke'?

Associated Press

"POPPA DON'T TAKE NO MESS!"

The outburst comes from Anthony Anderson, who is describing the essential qualities of Kevin Bernard, the latest detective to join NBC's long-running "Law & Order." The fun-loving and funny Anderson debuted last season as Bernard and resumes busting bad guys at 9 p.m. Wednesday in the 19th-season opener.

Anderson's outsized personality—and relative youth—doubtless proved a draw for show creator Dick Wolf. Anderson, 38, follows Jeremy Sisto, 34, and Linus Roache, 44, as the third in a swift succession of young actors recruited by Wolf. But it remains to be seen whether the cast reshuffling will achieve Wolf's greatest ambition: to surpass "Gunsmoke," which ran from 1955-1975 on CBS, as the longest-running prime-time

drama in the history of TV.

Wolf nearly lost his chance for the record when NBC threatened to cancel "L&O" after a sharp ratings drop. With the addition of Sisto and Roache, the series fared well in its 18th season, airing fresh episodes in January amid the writers' strike. It averaged a total 10.7 million viewers, up 19 percent from the previous season's 9 million average viewers.

Wolf made a play last fall for Anderson, wooing the actor amid the strike. By the end of the meeting, Anderson recalled Wolf dispensing advice on moving his family from L.A. to New York—without so much as a "you're hired."

"And I was like, 'Did he? Was this like a Jedi mind trick?'" Anderson said. "'Did he just tell me I got the job without telling me the job is mine? I think he did.'"



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The scoop: Last season, Jesse L. Martin left the long-running crime drama, his Detective Ed Green replaced by Anthony Anderson's Detective Kevin Bernard. Anderson's back and he's still the rookie among several fairly new—and younger—actors than in the past. For the show's 19th season, S. Epatah Merkeron's Lt. Anita Van Buren remains in charge, overseeing Bernard and Detective Cyrus Lupo (Jeremy Sisto). Linus Roache's chief A.D.A. Michael Cutter still is butting heads with his boss, D.A. Jack McCoy (Sam Waterston), and sometimes with executive A.D.A. Connie Rubirosa (Alana De La Garza).

What works: After 19 years, "Law & Order" is nothing if not a well-oiled machine, following the tried-and-true formula in which the first half of the show presents the police investigation of a case and the second half shows the trial.

And each episode is self-contained, which is a welcome break from more serialized TV fare such as "Heroes" or "Lost." Also, the stories are pulled effectively from headlines, with the season opener presenting a

case involving what can only be called a human cockfight, the resulting riot and eventually Cutter using an anti-terrorism law to go for a conviction.

What doesn't: The use of another age-old plot device, the upcoming election for district attorney, to force the D.A.'s hand.

Tune in or out? I don't watch "Law & Order" on a regular basis, but I've never been disappointed when I have. Like the Art Institute and Grant Park, it's comforting to know it's there when I want it.

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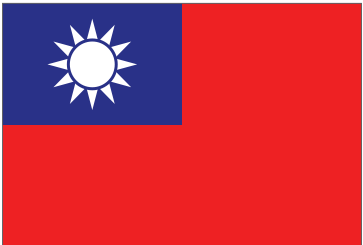
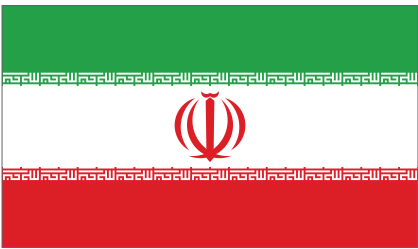
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St. Louis Post-Dispatch

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The best results, Frese said, come from a 10 to 20 minute walk during lunch; using the stairs and not the elevator; walking to deliver a message rather than using e-mail; or parking farther away from your office than you normally do—basically anything that accumulates movement over the work day.

But when long walks aren't possible, you can still get your blood moving with some moves at your desk.

One example, "I recommend standing up then sitting down slowly in your chair," Frese said.

Nick Viviano, a fitness consultant for the Defense Department's office downtown, says he bundles exercise to include stress relief.

"Health is more than cardiovascular fitness," Viviano said. "It's stress management, flexibility, your mental attitude. It all contributes to health."



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It's time to put down those controllers, grab that mouse and choose the best video game of all-time at redeychicago.com/bestvideogame.

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Twist and shout online

Associated Press

With gigantic, time-consuming video games like Fallout 3, Fable II and Gears of War 2 either in stores or coming soon, it's hard to decide what's worth \$60. What you need is a lighthearted, casual game—say, for \$20—to take your mind off all the stress.

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Right now, the game is available only at popcap.com, but it will be in stores and on other Web sites Nov. 18.

Gamers answer iPhone's call

Los Angeles Times

Within days of buying his iPhone, John Furrier's 13-year-old son, Alec, was sneaking off with the device and downloading games. To reclaim his phone, Furrier had to buy his son an iPod Touch, which Alec quickly filled with Pac-Man, Magic 8 Ball and dozens of other games.

“When he's not playing on his Xbox 360, he's playing on the iPod,” said Furrier, a 43-year-old entrepreneur and blogger in Palo Alto, Calif.

Apple's iPhone is a cell phone, Web-surfing gadget and digital media player rolled into one. The iPod Touch is the same, minus the cell phone. But to many people's surprise, one of the devices' most popular uses is as a handheld video-game system.

Games have become the fastest-growing and most popular type of application for iPhone and iPod Touch owners, outpacing all other categories available on Apple's App Store.

“This was an amazing surprise to us to see how much games have taken off,” said Stan Ng, Apple's senior director of product marketing.

Game developers have taken to the platform, creating nearly 1,700 games since the online App Store launched in June. That's more than twice the number available in the store's second-largest category, entertainment, which includes music and video.

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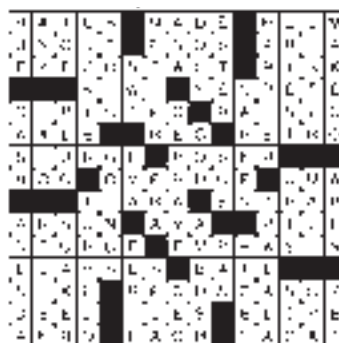


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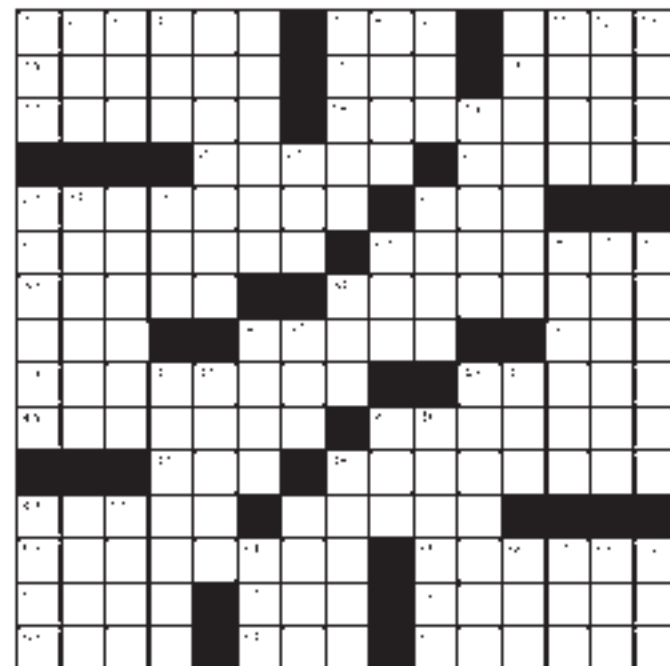


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‘Idol’ standout
says she stays away
from the drama

Message to Jessica Simpson: Carrie Underwood doesn’t want any drama. The “American Idol” star tells Elle magazine that she didn’t mean anything when she said Simpson’s boyfriend, Tony Romo, with whom she briefly had a fling, sometimes calls her—and she sometimes doesn’t answer. It was a fluke, she says. An excerpt from an interview done long before the quote came out months ago. And she’s just not into the drama of it all. Or is she? “All celebrities,” she tells the mag, “have to be involved in drama—or they’re not celebrities! There must be something wrong with ’em!” Makes sense to us. Here’s a look at some of the controversies and gossip that the supposedly drama-free Underwood has been a part of.



Underwood under fire?

EXHIBIT A: ROMO-GATE



BACK STORY: Underwood said in an August interview that Tony Romo still calls her, a claim that Romo’s current gal pal was quick to refute. Underwood said in her December interview with Elle that she didn’t mean to hurt anyone’s feelings. **SOUND BITE:** “It was something that was said in passing, and I would never mean to say anything to hurt anybody or stir up anything, because I’m just not about drama ... at all.” **VERDICT:** Underwood gets the benefit of the doubt on this one.

EXHIBIT B: WHAT THE STORK
BROUGHT IN



BACK STORY: The “Idol” champ was recently spotted with Travis Stork of “The Bachelor,” but she won’t confirm or deny a relationship with him. **SOUND BITE:** “If I say I am or I’m not, as soon as this magazine comes out, it might be the opposite of what I tell you now,” she tells Elle. “In three months, it’ll be, ‘Carrie said she’s not dating anybody,’ yet last night, I was out on the town with some guy. He’s going to get mad at me. Everybody’s going to think I’m a liar. It’s just best not to go there.” **VERDICT:** Verging on dramatic there, Carrie.

EXHIBIT C: SPLASHY RUMOR



BACK STORY: After the Olympics, rumors swirled that Underwood was linked with gold medalist swimmer Michael Phelps. She denies the connection in no uncertain terms in her Elle interview. **SOUND BITE:** “I never met the guy!” **VERDICT:** Did anyone really think they were actually dating?

EXHIBIT D: TEXTUALLY ACTIVE



BACK STORY: Underwood split up with “Gossip Girl” star Chace Crawford last year—via text message! **SOUND BITE:** “It was completely mutual,” Underwood told “Extra.” “We broke up over text so ... it’s like ‘peace out.’” **VERDICT:** A text-message breakup? What’s more dramatic than that?!

Jolie
AP

Role models

How does Angelina Jolie choose roles?

She just asks herself if Angelina Jolie would like to meet the character.

"I tell stories that are about the type of woman I'd want to meet," the "Changeling" actress tells Harper's Bazaar, according to usmagazine.com excerpts.

"The type of woman where I think, even if it's silly characters I've played, like in 'Tomb Raider,' there's something about her that will be fun for my daughters to see one day."

Close encounters

Country singers Miranda Lambert and Blake Shelton are on the cusp of finishing something they've never done before—touring together. "We didn't know if we would kill each other or become closer," Lambert tells people.com. The couple wraps its tour Saturday, and Lambert sounds happy. "We made it through," she says. "He's got such a great personality, but I did realize that long periods of time in a really small space with him isn't something I want to do every day," she says.

'King' of ...

You may have heard that "King of the Hill" is being canned at Fox, but now there's a report that another network might be interested in picking up the cartoon sitcom. Variety is reporting that ABC has "expressed an interest" in the show, although it didn't quote any official sources. So is the crew from Arlen, Texas, heading to a new network? Stay tuned.

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CELEBRITY TWIN

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O'Neill



Smith

IN:
Celebs talking about politics
Lindsay Lohan was, like, all over this on her blog.

Klum
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OUT:
Celebs talking about their Halloween costumes—especially Heidi Klum.
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WHATEVER:
Audrina Patridge's living situation
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THE VELVET ROPE

Hating on Kate?

Kate Winslet is under fire in her home country for the Vanity Fair interview released Monday in which she says she sometimes feels like the "fat kid." The interview is accompanied by photos of a fit Winslet nearly baring it all—photos that the U.K. press have suggested are touched up.



Winslet

"Kate is furious at suggestions that her body has been airbrushed," her rep told People on Tuesday.

But this isn't the first time Winslet's pics have caused a stir: In 2003, the actress apologized after Britain's GQ magazine ran retouched photos that made her look slimmer, according to People.

Partners in crime

When you think performing legend Bette Midler, you think ... 50 Cent?

The actress and comedian teamed up with the rapper this week to celebrate the opening of a community garden in New York City that bears his name. So how did the unlikely duo come together?

"I called and nagged him," Midler tells People about getting Fif involved with the garden. "His G-Unity Foundation gives a million dollars away every year in grants to non-profits all over the city. ... They're just brilliant."

Plus, said Fif, "When Bette calls you don't say 'no.'"

'Grey' matter

Yes, Brooke Smith's character is out on "Grey's Anatomy." And no, it's not because she played a lesbian.

At least that's according to the show's executive producer, Shonda Rhimes, who issued a statement after an ew.com report that Smith's Dr. Erica Hahn character, who was getting into a relationship with Dr. Callie Torres (Sara Ramirez), is leaving the show.

"Brooke Smith was obviously not fired for playing a lesbian," Rhimes said. "Sara Ramirez is an incredible actress and we wanted to be able to play up her magic. Unfortunately, we did not find that the magic and chemistry with Brooke's character would sustain in the long run."

Kidman (left) and Urban in May
GETTY IMAGES FILE



Frisky business

Talk about a smooth operator.

At a party celebrating his new No. 1 song, "You Look Good in My Shirt," Keith Urban dropped one of the corniest (but also most adorable) one-liners of all time on his wife, Nicole Kidman.

"You do look good in my shirt," he said, according to People. "And out of it! But that's a different story."

You can commence eye-rolling now. Urban's pickup line is, like, one step above saying he'd rewrite the alphabet to put "U" and "I" together.



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Jackson
AP

THE DIGIT

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